## Notification to Arizona AHJ's re: City of Tucson Fire Department Shooters Certification program.

Recently the Tucson Fire Department implemented a program to certify lead pyrotechnic (firework) operators wishing to conduct fireworks and pyrotechnic displays within the City of Tucson. This program was developed to test operator's knowledge of applicable codes and demonstrate their ability to conduct a safe pyrotechnic or fireworks display.

The Tucson Fire Department has committed to certifying operators desiring to shoot in other jurisdictions as well as in the City of Tucson. In addition, the program in its entirety is available to all Arizona fire jurisdictions for their own implementation.

The Fire Prevention Section maintains a history log on each certified operator. This history document lists all displays conducted by this operator, any accidents, misfires, unusual conditions noted, good things that happened, etc. If an operator wishing to shoot a display in your jurisdiction presents a Tucson Fire Department Certified Shooter Card, it is your agencies responsibility to contact Tucson Fire to find out the history of the operator on file and to assure that the card is current and valid. In addition, at the conclusion of a display in your area, our office would appreciate receiving any information to be added to the history log of that operator. You may also visit our website at <a href="http://www.tucsonaz.gov/fire/">http://www.tucsonaz.gov/fire/</a> to check shooters status.

If you have any questions about this program, would like to certify an operator, or would like to implement the program in your department, please feel free to contact Captain Jeff Leach at 791-4502 or email at Jeff.Leach@tucsonaz.gov.